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**RE: Willow Brook Sampling**

Dear Ms. Wohlfert,

We have completed additional tests of the creek and wetland area around Willow Brook Pond. These tests show there are no polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) above the residential criterion established by the Connecticut DEP for direct exposure to soil on the higher banks of the brook within your property.

During previous discussions, we let you know that we found PCBs in the sediment of Willow Brook Pond on Pratt & Whitney property, the adjacent wetland area and the creek. After we made this initial finding, we requested permission to sample the portion of the wetland area within your property as part of our efforts to better define the extent of contamination. In the latest round we sampled the brook and wetland sediments as well as the surrounding banks.

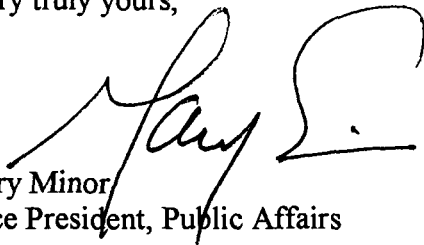
We are pleased to inform you that the presence of PCB's is concentrated in the pond, wetland, brook and low bank sediments. The level of PCB's in the sediment decreases with distance from the pond and wetland areas. Only one sample (taken on the higher banks within the Willow Arms property) indicated trace amounts of PCBs, and the concentration detected was less than the residential criterion established by the Connecticut DEP for direct exposure to the soils. Of course, the wetland, brook and low bank areas will remain fenced to prevent access until the affected area can be remediated.

In coordination with the US Environmental Protection Agency, and the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, we are exploring clean-up alternatives to remediate the area. We have also been keeping the Town of East Hartford, including Mayor Larson, the Director of Health, and the Town Engineer informed of our findings and activities. We have begun the process of selected a consultant to assist us in evaluating remedial alternatives and implementing the selected remediation technology.

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We will continue to inform you of our progress. If you have any questions, concerns or need additional information please don't hesitate to call me at 565-4009 or Jennifer Chan, P&W Manager of Community Relations at 565-6023.

Very truly yours,



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